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1. FOREIGN MINISTER LIEVANO SAID HE AGREES WITH CONCEPT FOR HANDLING PC DRAFT OF CHARTER, AS OUTLINED REFTEL, AND THOUGHT IT A QUITE FEASIBLE PROCEDURE TO EFFECT. HE SUGGESTED THAT FACIO MIGHT BE KEY FIGURE IN TAKING INITIATIVE TO DRAW UP DRAFT RESOLUTION OR TERMS OF REFERENCE THAT COULD BE APPROVED BY GA. HE SAID HE WOULD CONSULT WITH FACIO BUT URGED THAT WE ALSO CONSULT HIM ALONG ABOVE LINES. (LIEVANO IMPLICITLY DECLINED THE HONOR OF TAKING INITIATIVES HIMSELF; ONE REAL REASON IS THAT HE IS UP TO HIS EARS IN DOMESTIC POLITICAL MATTERS, AND MID-TERM ELECTIONS, AND PUBLIC ORDER SITUATION IS DEMANDING MUCH OF GOC AND CABINET'S ATTENTION.)

2. LIEVANO VOLUNTEERED HIS OWN STRONG CONVICTION THAT INFORMAL FORMAT USED IN LAST OASGA, ELIMINATING LENGTHY SERIES OF SET SPEECHES, SHOULD BE RETAINED (STATE 72139). HE THOUGHT EARLY AND QUICK AGREEMENT ON THIS SHOULD BE OBTAINED, AND HE WILL MENTION THIS TO FACIO.
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